

STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS
FOR THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CLAIMS BOARD
HELD IN ROOM 648 OF THE KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION,
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012

ON

MONDAY, MAY 1, 2006, AT 8:00 AM

Present: Chairperson Maria M. Oms, Rocky Armfield, and John Krattli

The following items were presented to the Claims Board for consideration and the Board took actions as indicated in bold.

1. Call to Order.
2. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Claims Board on items of interest within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Claims Board.

No members of the public addressed the Claims Board.

3. Closed Session – Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9).
 - a. Indra Systems, Inc. v. County of Los Angeles
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 323 293

This lawsuit concerns a breach of contract arising from a purchase order from the Internal Services Department.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$237,500 as set forth in the Claims Board memorandum.

[See Supporting Document](#)

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

- b. Keiana Harrison v. County of Los Angeles
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 328 490

This lawsuit concerns allegations that an employee of the Department of Public Social Services was subjected to sexual harassment.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board approved settlement of this matter. The substance of the above-settlement will be disclosed upon inquiry by any person as soon as the settlement becomes final following approval by all parties.

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

- c. Ingrid Johannah Mondragon v. County of Los Angeles
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 330 682

This lawsuit concerns allegations that an employee of the Department of Animal Care and Control was subjected to sexual harassment and discrimination.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board approved settlement of this matter. The substance of the above-settlement will be disclosed upon inquiry by any person as soon as the settlement becomes final following approval by all parties.

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

- d. Claim of Christian Garcia
OAAC Charge No. DPW 05-0203

This claim concerns allegations of racial harassment and sex discrimination.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board approved settlement of this matter. The substance of the above-settlement will be disclosed upon inquiry by any person as soon as the settlement becomes final following approval by all parties.

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

- e. Samuel Stella v. County of Los Angeles
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 322 735

This lawsuit concerns allegations that an employee of the Department of Public Social Services was subjected to racial harassment and discrimination.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$145,000 and that the Auditor-Controller be instructed to draw a warrant to implement this settlement from the Department of Public Social Services' budget.

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

- f. Ary Leite v. County of Los Angeles
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 302 592

This lawsuit concerns allegations that an employee of the Sheriff's Department was subjected to age discrimination.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$275,000 and that the Auditor-Controller be instructed to draw a warrant to implement this settlement from the Sheriff's Department's budget.

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

- g. Mary Craig v. County of Los Angeles
United States District Court Case No. CV 05-01711 ER

This lawsuit seeks compensation for a death which occurred while in the custody of the Sheriff's Department.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$300,000 and that the Auditor-Controller be instructed to draw a warrant to implement this settlement from the Sheriff's Department's budget.

[See Supporting Document](#)

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

- h. Gregory L. Harris v. County of Los Angeles
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. TC 017 976

This medical negligence lawsuit arises from injuries sustained by a patient while hospitalized at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$150,000, plus assumption of the Medi-Cal lien not to exceed \$83,281.93 as set forth in the Claims Board memorandum.

[See Supporting Document](#)

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

- i. Sonia Escobar, Israel Portillo v. County of Los Angeles
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. SC 085 338

This wrongful death lawsuit arises from injuries sustained by a patient while hospitalized at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center.

[See Supporting Document](#)

Action Taken:

This matter was continued to the next Claims Board meeting.

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

- j. Rouvenie Robianes, et al. v. County of Los Angeles
Lancaster Superior Court Case No. MC 013 949

This lawsuit seeks compensation for injuries received in an automobile accident.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$1,750,000 and that the Auditor-Controller be instructed to draw a warrant to implement this settlement from the Department of Public Works' budget.

[See Supporting Document](#)

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

4. Approval of minutes for the meeting of the Claims Board of April 3, 2006.

Action Taken:

The Minutes for the meeting of April 3, 2006, were approved.

[See Supporting Document](#)

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

5. Report of actions taken in Closed Session.

The Claims Board reconvened in open session and reported the actions taken in closed session as indicated under Agenda Item No. 3 above.

6. Items not on the posted agenda, to be referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a further meeting of the Board, or matters requiring immediate action because of emergency situation or where the need to take immediate action came to the attention of the Board subsequent to the posting of the agenda.

No such matters were discussed.

7. Adjournment.